Corruption cases against employees of IT and Customs Department

†696. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers and employees of Income Tax and Customs Department caught red-handed in corruption cases during the last financial year;

(b) the details of the items confiscated from them;

(c) the number of persons out of the above against whom trials are going on alongwith the status thereof; and

(d) the details of the initial departmental action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Currency rates on five and ten thousand denominations

†697. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to print currency notes of five thousand and ten thousand denominations; and

(b) if not, whether Government propose to constitute a Committee to undertake a study of its necessity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

Reservation of SCs/STs/OBCs in RRBs

698. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the benefit of reservation/concession to SC/ST/OBC, handicapped and Ex-serviceman has been allowed to Regional Rural Bank Staff; and

(b) if not, by when Government are going to give them this benefit?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.